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To: The Instructional Quality Commission
Re: Comments regarding History-Social Framework

The following are comments in on the 2014-2015 Draft History-Social Framework Chapter 5: Course Descriptions for Grades Nine through Twelve.

I urge the Instructional Quality Commission to revise the course description for the required Principles of American Democracy course for students in Grade Twelve. This course should include components relative to civic engagement in advance of the January 1, 2015 enactment of Assembly Bill 1599.

AB 1599 encouraged the commission to include content on how individuals can register to vote by mail and online, the requirements to be able to register to vote, how an individual can request an absentee ballot, how to fill out and return an absentee ballot, where an individual can find their polling place, what to expect on election day, and where to access and how to understand the voter information pamphlet and various other materials to become an informed voter.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Freddie Quintana in my capitol office at 916-319-2051.

Sincerely,

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